

REMARKS

Claims 1-12 were examined. Claims 1-11 were rejected, while claim 12 was deemed allowable. In response to the above-identified Office Action, Applicant amends claim 1, but does not cancel any claims or add any new claims. Reconsideration of the rejected claims in light of the aforementioned amendments and the following remarks is requested.

I. Claims Rejected Under 35 U.S.C. § 112, Second Paragraph

The Examiner rejected claims 1-11 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter applicant regards as the invention. Applicant's amendment to claim 1, which incorporates a clause suggested by the Examiner, is believed to address the specific issues noted. Applicant respectfully requests that the rejections of claims 1-11 on § 112 grounds be withdrawn.

II. Claims Rejected Under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b)

The Examiner rejected claims 1, 2 and 11 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 4,902,910 issued to Hsieh ("*Hsieh*"). Applicant's proposed amendment to claim 1 incorporates material the Examiner found to be absent from the prior art of record (as stated in the reasons for allowance of claim 12): the power-up circuit comprises a reset prevention unit including two pull-up devices and a pull-down device controlled by the detection signal and a delayed detection signal. Since the prior art lacks at least a reset prevention unit of that arrangement, Applicant submits that claim 1 is not anticipated and requests that the rejection be withdrawn.

As to claims 2 and 11, those claims depend directly or indirectly upon claim 1, and are believed to be patentable for at least the reasons discussed above. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner withdraw the rejections of these claims.

III. Claims Rejected Under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a)

The Examiner rejected claim 3 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over *Hsieh (supra)* in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,889,416 issued to Lovett ("*Lovett*"). However, Claim 3 depends upon claim 1 and is believed to be patentable over the prior art of

record for at least the reasons discussed in support of that base claim. The Examiner is requested to withdraw the rejection of claim 3 as well.

IV. Allowable Material

Applicant notes with appreciation that the Examiner has determined claims 4-10 to contain allowable material, and deemed claim 12 to be allowable.

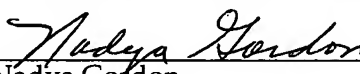
CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, it is believed that all claims now pending, namely claims 1-12, patentably define the subject invention over the prior art of record, and are in condition for allowance and such action is earnestly solicited at the earliest possible date. If the Examiner believes that a telephone conference would be useful in moving the application forward to allowance, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at (310) 207-3800.

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